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IN VACATION.

Acquittal No Bar to Punishment.—A newspaper in a prohibition state contained the following: "Bill Jones was acquitted of violating the prohibition law, and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 or serve three months at hard labor, the balance of the fine to be suspended during good behavior on payment of \$50." We are just wondering what punishment would have been inflicted upon Bill had he been convicted instead of acquitted.

Sanctity of an Oath.—At a legal investigation of a liquor seizure, the judge asked an unwilling witness:

"What was in the barrel you had?"

His reply was:

"Well, yer honor, it was marked whisky on one end and Pat Murphy on the other. So I cannot say for certain which was in it, as you know I am on my oath now."—Central Law Journal.

"Hog" as Insulting Word.—Lawyer (to judge): "I admit that my client called the plaintiff a hog, but, considering the value of hogs at present, I call that a compliment rather than an insult."—Ex.

Proper Division of Recovery in Personal Injury Case.—The poor cripple thumped his crutch on the ground and said to his lawyer: "Merciful heavens, man, your bill is outrageous! You are taking four-fifths of my damages! I never heard of such extortion!"

"I furnished," said the lawyer coldly, "the skill, the eloquence, and the legal training for your case."

"Yes, but I," said the client, ruefully glancing at his injuries, "I furnished the case itself."

"Bosh!" sneered the lawyer. "Anybody can fall down a coal hole."—Ex.

Why Pat Didn't Testify.—A railroad lawyer was defending an action for the wrongful death of an Irishman named Pat. The deceased's friend, Mike, was a star witness for the widow. On cross-examination the following transpired:

Q. "You say that the engineer rang the bell?"

A. "Yis, sorr."

Q. "Then why didn't Pat get off the track?"

A. "Sure, sorr, the bell was rung after Pat was run over or 'tis himself would be here testifying."

Q. "But why should the engineer ring the bell after Pat was killed?"

A. "Oi presume, sorr, that was for the next man on the track."